

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** on October 10, 1911, California became the sixth state to vote to grant suffrage to women; and
- WHEREAS,** 2011 marks the 100th anniversary of that significant election; and
- WHEREAS,** the League of Women Voters has taken up the task of working to ensure that women and men have full access to information necessary to vote in an informed manner; and
- WHEREAS,** the issue forums, candidate's nights, the SmartVoter.org website, and printed materials are made available by the League of Women Voters of Alameda to all voters without charge; and
- WHEREAS,** the League of Women Voters of Alameda has, for over thirty years, held the public trust by respectfully bringing elected leaders and the public together through non-partisan, civil means and through thoughtfully advancing solutions; and
- WHEREAS,** the granting of voting rights to women represents the qualities of equity, inclusiveness and full participation in civic affairs that the City of Alameda values.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Marie L. Gilmore, Mayor of the City of Alameda, hereby declare the month of March to be

Women's History Month

in the City of Alameda and join with the League of Women Voters and all voters in celebrating the 100th anniversary of Women's Suffrage in California, and urge residents to recognize the work of the League in promoting civic engagement, good government practices, and voter education.

Marie L. Gilmore
Mayor

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